Mr. Finan is a native of Allegany County and for years has been a leading member of the Bar of his County and of the State. He is completing two years of outstanding public service as Secretary of State of Maryland. Prior to that time he had served as City Solicitor for the City of Cumberland and also compiled a notable record in World War II.

Through his abilities and his career to date, Mr. Finan gives promise of being an outstanding Attorney General. The members of the General Assembly wish him every success and happiness in his new position; now therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the sincere congratulations and best wishes of this body be expressed to the Honorable Thomas B. Finan of Allegany County upon the occasion of his appointment to the office of Attorney General of Maryland; and be it further

Resolved, That the General Assembly also commends Governor J. Millard Tawes for the outstanding character of this appointment.

Approved February 27, 1961.

No. 9

(House Joint Resolution 13)

House Joint Resolution congratulating the Honorable C. Ferdinand Sybert upon his appointment as Associate Judge of the Court of Appeals of Maryland.

The members of the General Assembly of Maryland have learned with much pleasure of the appointment of the Honorable C. Ferdinand Sybert of Howard County to an Associate Judgeship on the Court of Appeals of Maryland.

Mr. Sybert, an illustrious son of Howard County, wherein he has lived since the fifth year of his life, received his early education at Loyola High School and was awarded his A.B. Degree from Loyola College. He was graduated from the University of Maryland Law School with an LL.B Degree and in 1925 was admitted to the Maryland Bar. Immediately thereafter he associated himself in the practice of law in Howard County with the late State Senator Joseph L. Donovan.

In 1934 he was elected State's Attorney for Howard County in which office he served for twelve (12) years, having been thrice elected to three successive terms.

In 1946 Mr. Sybert was elected to the Maryland House of Delegates from Howard County, was given the unprecedented honor at the beginning of his first term of being elected Speaker and served in that capacity for four years. He was then, in 1950, elected by the citizens of Howard County as their State Senator and for another four years was a member of the Maryland General Assembly.